

# EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

MARCH 6, 2022



**Minister:** Bryant Evans

**Associate Minister:** Jeffery King

**Youth Minister:** Noah Evans

**Minister, Awarawaunau Church of Christ in Guyana:** Elvis Bernard



**Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!**  
Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!

## Elders

Sid Chupek  
Scott Kelly  
John Langham  
Jonathan Ling

## Deacons

Chad Chupek  
Scott Lloyd  
Peter Verrett  
Jesse Olive

## Sunday

Worship 10 AM  
Bible Study 5 PM

## Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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## Today's Sermon

### **The Need to Pass Through Samaria**

**Speaker: Jeffery King**

**John 4:1-4**

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup>(although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), <sup>3</sup>he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. <sup>4</sup>And he had to pass through Samaria.

**John 4:1-4 ESV**



We have a wide variety of events, such as game nights, trips to various local events, singings, and devotionals for all ages.

**See more  
details inside the bulletin!**

## Today's Events:

**Lads to Leaders** will have Bible Bowl Test at 3:30 PM. Puppet practice will be after our evening Bible classes.

**We will be having a Congregational Singing Service** at 5 PM instead of Bible Classes.

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## Events for this week:

### Tuesday:

**Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study**, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

### Saturday:

**Congregational Game Night** at 5 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite snacks and games.

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### *Next Sunday:*

**Lads to Leaders** will have puppet practice at 4 PM.



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

03/06 Addison Chupek  
Caleb Ratliff  
03/07 Hannah Phillips  
03/08 Linda Ledford  
Lucretia Owens  
03/12 Beatrice Rogers  
03/16 Jackie Hicks  
03/17 Patti Van Iderstine  
03/18 Jesse & Amanda Olive  
03/20 Les Bland  
03/25 John Sibley  
03/28 John & Sandra Sibley

**GROW IN THE GRACE**  
and knowledge of  
our Lord and Savior  
Jesus Christ.  
To Him be glory both  
now and forever!  
Amen

2 Peter 3: 18

## Mark Your CALENDAR



- 03/13 L2L Puppet Practice at 4 PM
- 03/15 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- 03/18 Primetimer's Bible Study, 6:30 PM at the church building. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 03/19 Ladies Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item.  
Youth Devo, 5 PM at the church building.
- 03/20 L2L Bible Bowl Practice at 4 PM and Puppet Practice following evening Bible Classes.
- 03/22 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- 03/26 Cagle/Harp Wedding, 5 PM at the Collective Manor in Spanish Fort.
- 03/27 L2L Puppet Practice at 4 PM; Meeting for all attending Convention at 4:30.  
Mark Your Calendar Meeting following our evening Bible Classes. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 03/29 Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall

# Part 1 of 2: Why Parents are Vital

By: Bryant Evans

Children who misbehave reflect on their parents. It remains uncommon but must be addressed. The tragedy of a school shooting will be spread across every newspaper and will be featured near constantly on newscasts. But a larger, looming problem exists. School fights have grown more dangerous, involve more students, result in greater injuries, and even involve teachers and administrators. These below-the-radar events point directly to failed parenting and failed education systems.

## Parents Are Vital Because They Are The Child's Best Teacher

Parents must not discount their role in the development of a child. Public school teachers are outstanding professionals trained to teach students science, technology, engineering, math, language skills, literature, and history. They are neither trained nor allowed to teach foundational morality. That task belongs to parents.

Given the importance of proper child-rearing, it is not surprising that the Bible has much to say.

*Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children...*

Deuteronomy 4:9

*You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*

Deuteronomy 6:7-9

And what is perhaps the best known:

*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

Proverbs 22:6

Parents are the first, best models for adulthood. We learn how to be adults by watching the adults of our youth, hence the old saw, "the apple doesn't fall far from the tree." While there are always exceptions, children tend to mimic their parent's values, especially through their teen years.

## Parents Are Vital Because They Teach the Best Lessons.

Neither of my parents completed college. Mom was a homemaker, and dad was a salesman. They knew little about algebra and less about the sciences, but they taught me the best and most important life lessons.

### Lesson One: The Golden Rule

*So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

Treating others the way you want to be treated is sorely missing from our society. If a child learns to apply the Golden Rule early, she will be better suited to impact the world around her positively. Otherwise, a child becomes self-centered with little regard for those around. Pause and think of the adult world in which you live. Concern for others has become rare. Leaders think of themselves first. Others are merely tools to satisfy some needs.

A corollary to the Golden Rule is found in Matthew 22. A man asks Jesus a perfectly reasonable question. "What is the greatest commandment" (vs. 36)? Jesus' answer was predictable. He told the man that the greatest commandment was to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and mind. But the second may have caught the man off guard. Jesus said the second greatest commandment was to "love your neighbor as yourself" (vs. 39). The command was not simply to love your neighbor but to love him in the same way you love yourself!

Consider the child who is taught both these principles. What would be his behavior in the home when playing with his brothers and sisters or cousins? What becomes of such a child when he arrives in kindergarten and advances through school? He would surely be a child to be proud of. Such principles do not come naturally; devoted parents must teach them.

*To be continued....*

**Please keep in your prayers:**

**Julie Doughty** is having ongoing health problems (daughter of Jerry Doughty).

**John Langham, Kent Purser and Andy Dukes** leave for Guyana on March 4th and return on the 13th.

**Farrah Gandley** is recovering from surgery.

**Payton, Sierra and Salem Lewis** have COVID. Salem is only 4 months old (Payton is Judy Parrish's grandson).

**Jose Velazquez** has rapidly declining health after battling Alzheimer's and COVID (Danny Velazquez's father).

**Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:**

**Mike Sanford, Gus Stranch** (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine), **Jeff Stewart** (friend of Jerry Doughty), **Sharon Vandevender** (wife of Donna Neu's nephew), **Sarah Kennedy, Jim Bose and Betty Carter** (friends of Patti Van Iderstine), **Darnell Jackson** (mother of Jaqueline King), **James Doughty** (brother of Jerry Doughty), **Angela Flit** (cousin of Dwight Isenhower), **Will Scott and Paul Thorkelson** (friends of Dwight & Julia Isenhower), **Aaron Bell** (Youth Minister of Valley View church & a friend of the Sanford's), **Wanda Bobinger** (cousin of Patti Van Iderstine), **Joe Smith** (brother of Sherran Brown), **Margaret Tucker** (Sister-in-Law of Linda Farris).

**Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:**

**MaeBelle Perry, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, James & Ann Christopher, Don & Phyllis Gill, and Jane Betts.**

**Privileged to Serve**

Greeters:	Scott & Sandy Kelly
Usher:	Peter Verrett
Building Lockup:	Peter Verrett
Treasurer Assistants:	Jonathan Ling and Noah Evans

**Sunday Morning**

Lord's Table (presiding):	Scott Lloyd
Leading Prayer:	Scott Kelly James Day
Leading Singing:	Noah Evans
Scripture Reading:	Andrew Ashley

**Wednesday Evening**

Leading Prayer:	Chad Chupek Robert Cagle
Leading Singing:	Todd Sanford

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